

# ASSESSOR'S OFFICE

## Homeowner Benefit and Additional Exemption Programs

The Assessor's Office will be accepting NEW applications for homeowner, veterans', blind or totally disabled benefit programs starting February 1.

Some of these programs are income based; taxpayers are required to submit proof of their last year's income to the Assessor's office to apply for them. The maximum income limit for a single person is \$37,600 and for a married couple it is \$45,800. A copy of a current income tax return must be presented at the time of application if one is filed with the IRS, along with statements of any untaxable income such as Social Security or Railroad Retirement payments. If an income tax return is not filed, statements of all income must be presented. These include statements of wages, lottery winnings, taxable pensions, IRA's, interest, dividends, rental income, Social Security SSA1099, Railroad retirement, veteran's payments, etc.

The income based programs are two year programs, with refile applications, as well as new applications, due between Feb. 1 and May 15 for elderly homeowners and by Oct. 1 for the exemption programs. **Taxpayers currently receiving a benefit and who were scheduled to refile this year do NOT NEED TO REFILE THIS YEAR.**

Town hall is currently closed to the public, we ask applicants to call for information on procedures in place to apply for these programs.

You may contact the Assessor's Office at 860-623-8878 with any questions.

